

Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia

1 July 2001 – 30 June 2007

Details

The Department for Community Development was formed on 1 July 2001 as the key government organisation responsible for child welfare in Western Australia. It was the second version of a department with that name, with the earlier department operating from 1992 to 1995. The Department for Community Development ceased on 30 June 2007 and was followed by the Department for Communities and the Department for Child Protection which were established on 1 July 2007.

The State Records Office website provides an overview of the Department:

The Department for Community Development was formed on 1 July 2001 to integrate the Department of Family and Children's Services, the Family and Children's Policy Office, the Office of Senior's Interests, the Women's Policy Office and the Office of Youth Affairs.

On 1 March 2006, the Children and Community Services Act took effect. This legislation repealed previous Acts under which the Department [for] Community Development operated.

More info

Chronology

- Department of Native Welfare, State of Western Australia (1955 - 1972)
- Department for Community Welfare, State of Western Australia (1972 - 1985)
 - Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia (1 January 1985 - 1 October 1992)
 - Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia (1 October 1992 - 1 July 1995)
 - Department for Family and Children's Services, State of Western Australia (1 July 1995 - 1 July 2001)
- **Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia (1 July 2001 – 30 June 2007)**
 - Department for Communities, State of Western Australia (2007 - 2013)
 - Department for Child Protection, State of Western Australia (1 July 2007 - 16 May 2013)

Related Entries

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- [Albany Group Home \(1978? - current\)](#)
- [Ardross House \(1971 - 2004?\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2004?
- [Kalgoorlie Group Home \(1987 - current\)](#)
- [Kewdale House \(1976? - 2011?\)](#)
- [Kyewong Hostel \(1967? - 2002?\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2002?
- [McCall Centre \(1971 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Meekatharra Hostel \(1983? - 2005?\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2005?
- [Myera House \(1973 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Northam Group Home \(1980 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Tudor Lodge \(1952 - 2003\)](#)
- [Waringarri Group Home \(1982 - current\)](#)
- [Weeriana Hostel \(1964 - current\)](#)
- [Bamburra Hostel \(1970 - current\)](#)
- [Bedford Hostel \(1971 - 27 February 2009\)](#)
- [Darlington House \(1983 - current\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2007
- [Bentley House \(2007? - current\)](#)
- [Kalgoorlie Group Home, Graeme Street \(1993? - current\)](#)
- [Yurag-Man-Gu Taam-Purru Placement and Support Centre \(2000? - 2007\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2007
- [Canowindra \(1974? - 2013?\)](#)
- [Yurag-Man-Gu Taam-Purru Hostel \(2007 - current\)](#)
Date: 2007 -
- [Carnarvon Group Home \(1997 - current\)](#)
- [Cooinda \(1966 - current\)](#)
- [Westview \(1981 - current\)](#)
- [Gilmore House Group Home \(1988 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Innaminka Hostel, Greenmount \(1972? - 2004?\)](#)
Date: 2001 - 2004?

Related Events

- [Inquiry into Response by Government Agencies to Complaints of Family Violence and Child Abuse in Aboriginal Communities, Western Australia \(28 November 2001 - 31 July 2002\)](#)

Related Organisations

- [Aboriginal Student Accommodation Service \(2003? - 2006?\)](#)
The Aboriginal Student Accommodation Service was part of the Department for Community Development.
Date: 2003? - 2006?
- [Adoption Services, Child Protection and Family Support \(1994? - current\)](#)
Past Adoption Information and Services can assist people who are looking for information about adoptions arranged by the Department for Community Development.
- [Western Australian Child Protection Council \(12 May 1997 - c. 2002\)](#)
- [Child Death Review Committee, State of Western Australia \(2003 - 2008\)](#)
- [Care for Children Advisory Committee \(1999 - February 2002\)](#)
The Care for Children Advisory Committee advised the Department for Community Development on matters relating to the out of home care sector in Western Australia.
Date: 2001 - 2002
- [Children and Young People in Care Advisory Committee \(July 2002 - January 2003?\)](#)
The Children and Young People in Care Advisory Committee provided advice to the Department for Community Development on matters relating to the out of home care sector in Western Australia.
Date: 2002 - 2003
- [Case Review Board \(1988 - 2006\)](#)
The Case Review Board provided advice to the Director General of the Department for Community Development

- [Case Review Panel \(1 March 2006 - current\)](#)

The Case Review Panel provided advice to the Director General of the Department for Community Development.

Related Legislation

- [Children and Community Services Act 2004, Western Australia \(2004 - current\)](#)

The Department for Community Development administered the *Children and Community Services Act 2004* after it took effect on 1 March 2006.

Date: 1 March 2006 - 30 June 2007

- [Child Welfare Act 1947, Western Australia \(1948 - 2006\)](#)

Resources

- Western Australia. Department for Community Development., *Annual Report: Department for Community Development*, 2001 - 2006
- Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia, [Submission No 55 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), July 2003
- Mercy Community Services (Inc), [Submission No 61 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), July 2003
- Mofflyn, [Submission No 160 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), August 2003
- Lowe, Janet, [Submission No 223 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), 28 August 2003
- Anglicare Australia, [Submission No 226 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), 15 October 2003
- WINGS (Inc), [Submission No 259 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), August 2003

Records

Records

- [Records of the Department of Child Protection and Family Support, and predecessors \(1894 - current\)](#)
 - [Client Files, Child Protection and Family Support \[and its predecessors\] \(1921 - current\)](#)
 - [Family Information Research System \(1921 - current\)](#)
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